IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A method for delivering information to a dormant target communication device in a wireless communication system including a base station controller (BSC) and a packet control function (PCF), the method comprising:

receiving information at the BSC for transmission to a target communication device; and broadcasting the information to a plurality of communication devices within a service area of the BSC[[.]]; and

wherein at least a portion of the information is transmitted on at least one available common channel and this transmitted information does not require establishment of a dedicated traffic channel..

- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said broadcasting includes broadcasting the information to the communication devices belonging to a group call.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the BSC and the PCF are co-located.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward common channel of a wireless network.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein said transmitting includes transmitting the information as short data burst (SDB).
- 8. (Currently amended) A computer-readable medium embodying a method for delivering information to a dormant target communication device in a wireless communication system

including a base station controller (BSC) and a packet control function (PCF), the method comprising:

receiving information at a BSC for transmission to a target communication device; and broadcasting the information to a plurality of communication devices within a service area of the BSC[[.]]; and

wherein at least a portion of the information is transmitted on at least one available common channel and this transmitted information does not require establishment of a dedicated traffic channel..

- 9. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 8, wherein said broadcasting includes broadcasting the information to the communication devices belonging to a group call.
- 10. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 8, wherein the BSC and the PCF are co-located.
- 11. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 8, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward common channel of a wireless network.
- 12. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.
- 13. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.
- 14. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein said transmitting includes transmitting the information as short data burst (SDB).

15. (Currently amended) An apparatus for delivering information to a dormant target communication device in a wireless communication system including a base station controller (BSC) and a packet control function (PCF), comprising:

means for receiving information at a BSC for transmission to a target communication device; and

means for broadcasting the information to a plurality of communication devices within a service area of the BSC[[.]]; and

wherein at least a portion of the information is transmitted on at least one available common channel and this transmitted information does not require establishment of a dedicated traffic channel..

- 16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 15, wherein said means for broadcasting includes means for broadcasting the information to the communication devices belonging to a group call.
- 17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 15, wherein the BSC and the PCF are co-located.
- 18. (Original) The apparatus of claim 15, wherein said means for broadcasting includes means for transmitting the information on a forward common channel of a wireless network.
- 19. (Original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein said means for broadcasting includes means for transmitting the information on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.
- 20. (Original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein said means for broadcasting includes means for transmitting the information on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.
- 21. (Original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein said means for transmitting includes means for transmitting the information as short data burst (SDB).

22. (Currently amended) An apparatus for delivering information to a dormant target communication device in a wireless communication system including a base station controller (BSC) and a packet control function (PCF), comprising:

a memory unit;

a receiver;

a transmitter; and

a processor coupled to the memory unit, the receiver, and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:

receiving information at a BSC for transmission to a target communication device; and

broadcasting the information to a plurality of communication devices within a service area of the BSC[[.]]; and

wherein at least a portion of the information is transmitted on at least one available common channel and this transmitted information does not require establishment of a dedicated traffic channel.

- 23. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein said broadcasting includes broadcasting the information to the communication devices belonging to a group call.
- 24. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the BSC and the PCF are co-located.
- 25. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward common channel of a wireless network.
- 26. (Original) The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward paging channel (F-PCH) of the wireless network.
- 27. (Original) The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said broadcasting includes transmitting the information on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH) of the wireless network.
- 28. (Original) The apparatus of claim 25, wherein said transmitting includes transmitting the information as short data burst (SDB).